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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

HIROSHI FUKUMOTO ET AL.

Serial No.: 09/865,691

Filed: MAY 29, 2001

For: IMAGE READING APPARATUS
WITH PARTIALLY SHIELDED
LIGHT-RECEIVING ELEMENTS

Art Unit: 2622

Examiner: SAFAIPOUR, HOUSHANG

AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Mail Stop: AF
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on August 1, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

A Two-Month extension of time is believed to be due, as detailed in the attached documents. Please charge applicant's representative's Deposit Account No. 03-3975 in the amount of \$450 for the extension of time. However, any extension of time necessary to prevent abandonment is hereby requested, and any fee necessary for consideration of this response is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account Number 03-3975.

Amendments to the Specification: None.

Amendments to the Claims: reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings: None

Remarks: begin on page 5 of this paper.